

Notes on Data:



Social, Behavioral, and Biological Linkages Across the Life Course

1 Sample Description

Wave I: An in-home sample of 27,000 adolescents was drawn consisting of a core sample from each community plus selected special oversamples. Eligibility for oversamples was determined by an adolescent's responses on the In-School Questionnaire. Adolescents could qualify for more than one sample. In addition, parents were asked to complete a questionnaire about family and relationships.

Wave II: The Wave II in-home interview sample is the same as the Wave I in-home interview sample, with a few exceptions. Information about neighborhoods and communities was gathered from a variety of previously published databases.

Wave III: The in-home Wave III sample consists of Wave I respondents who could be located and re-interviewed six years later. A sample of 1,507 partners of original respondents was also interviewed. Wave III also collected High School Transcript Release Forms as well as samples of urine (for sexually transmitted infections) and saliva (for HIV testing and, for full siblings and twins,

Wave IV: All original Wave I in-home respondents were eligible for in-home interviews at Wave IV. Wave IV also included collection of blood pressure readings, anthropometric measures (height, weight, and waist circumference), saliva for DNA, and blood spots from a fingerstick from all consenting respondents. To estimate the reliability of biological measures in the Add Health population, anthropometric measures and collection of biospecimens were repeated on 100 Wave IV respondents.

2 Project Web

<http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth>

3 Years covered

Wave 1 [1994-95]

Wave 2 [1996]

Wave 3 [2001-2002]

Wave 4 [2008-2009]

4 Longitudinal

Yes

5 Publically available

Questionnaires and codebooks may be downloaded/accessed from the Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/cocoon/ICPSR/STUDY/21600.xml>

OR from Sociometrics

<http://www.socio.com/srch/summary/nat5/dapadd3.htm>

6 Restricted access data available

YES-<http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth/data/contract>

7 Web-accessible analysis

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/cocoon/ICPSR/DAS/21600.xml>

[download data or run frequencies and cross tabs]

Please note that Wave IV data is not available for web-accessible analysis

8 Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/cocoon/ICPSR/STUDY/21600.xml>

[To download data, must belong to member institution]

9 FAQ page

<http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth/faqs>

10 Data specific bibliography

<http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth/pubs>

11 Data citation

Harris, Kathleen Mullan, Carolyn Tucker Halpern, Pamela Entzel, Joyce Tabor, Peter S. Bearman, and J. Richard Udry. 2008. The National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent Health: Research Design [WWW document]. URL:

<http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth/design>

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12 List serve/user group/help line

YES- information here:

<http://www.cpc.unc.edu/projects/addhealth/faqs/addhealth>

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